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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION REPORT, JUNE 1, 1977

1. MRS. CARTER'S LATAM JOURNEY -- FIVE OF EIGHT

MAJOR MEXICO CITY NEWSPAPERS WEDNESDAY CARRY
PHOTOGRAPHS OF MRS. CARTER DURING VISIT JAMAICA AND
ARRIVAL COSTA RICA.

2. EXCELSIOR (NATIONALISTIC) REPRINTS (INSIDE
PAGES) WASHINGTON POST STORY ON MRS. CARTER'S
REMARKS IN COSTA RICA THAT "ALTHOUGH THE U.S. IS
MAKING FRIENDLY GESTURES TOWARD CUBA, DIFFICULT
PROBLEMS REMAIN TO BE SOLVED -- LIKE U.S. POLITICAL
PRISONERS IN CUBA."

3. EL DIA (COMMUNIST-ORIENTED) REPORTS ON MRS.
CARTER'S DEPARTURE FOR COSTA RICA AFTER JAMAICA
VISIT.

4. EL NACIONAL (OFFICIAL) REPORTS "MRS. CARTER AND
COSTA RICAN PRESIDENT DANIEL ODUBER HAVE DISCUSSED
MEANS OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE U.S. AND
THOSE LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS WHICH STAND FOR AND
RESPECT HUMAN RIGHTS."

5. TUESDAY AFTERNOON ULTIMAS NOTICIAS DE EXCELSIOR
(NATIONALISTIC), WEDNESDAY EL UNIVERSAL (NATIONALISTIC)
AND EL DIA REPORT NEW YORK TIMES PUBLICATION OF
LETTER FROM DIRECTOR OF HISTORY DEPARTMENT
MINNESOTA UNIVERSITY STUART B. SCHWARTZ, SAYING
"MRS. CARTER'S TRIP TO LATIN AMERICA CAN BE COMPARED
TO THE VISITS OF THE QUEEN OF GREAT BRITAIN WHEN
THAT NATION WAS AN EMPIRE." SCHWARTZ FURTHER QUOTED
SAYING "HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS -- THE PRESIDENT
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HIMSELF, THE VICE-PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY OF
STATE -- VISIT OTHER REGIONS OF THE WORLD WHICH ARE
OF "GREAT INTEREST TO U.S. POLICY...THE FACT THAT
MRS. CARTER IS VISITING LATIN AMERICA DEMONSTRATES
THAT THIS REGION IS NOT CONSIDERED SO IMPORTANT FOR
U.S. FOREIGN POLICY." BALDYGA

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